

requiring a pharmacy benefits manager to establish a certain process for review of a failure to pay the contractual reimbursement amount of certain claims; making certain provisions of law applicable to health maintenance organizations; providing for the application of this Act; ~~providing certain penalties;~~ providing that this Act may not be construed to limit the applicability of certain provisions of law under certain circumstances; defining certain terms; and generally relating to regulation of pharmacy benefits managers' contracts with pharmacies and pharmacists.

BY adding to

Article - Insurance

Section 15-1601 through 15-1603 to be under the new subtitle "Subtitle 16. Pharmacy Benefits Managers"

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2006 Replacement Volume and 2007 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article - Health - General

Section 19-706(ppp)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2005 Replacement Volume and 2007 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article - Insurance

SUBTITLE 16. PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGERS.

15-1601.

~~(A) (1) IN THIS SECTION THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED:~~

~~(2) "EXTRAPOLATION AUDIT" MEANS AN AUDIT OF A SAMPLE OF PRESCRIPTION DRUG BENEFIT CLAIMS SUBMITTED BY A PHARMACY PROVIDER TO A PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGER OR ITS DESIGNATED CONTRACTOR OR AGENT THAT IS USED TO ESTIMATE AUDIT RESULTS FOR A LARGER BATCH OR GROUP OF CLAIMS.~~

~~(3) (1) "PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGEMENT SERVICES" MEANS THE ADMINISTRATION OR MANAGEMENT OF PRESCRIPTION DRUG BENEFITS.~~